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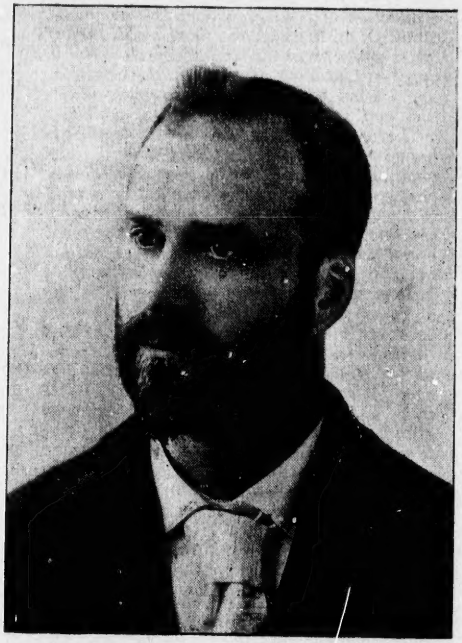
It is strange, but there is a class of people that seem to take an intense delight in bespattering the floor with tobacco juice, and in being boisterous and using profane language. These people should know at once that the courts authorize their immediate expulsion, should the management see fit to exercise its rights.

FREDERICK BANCROFT, *the Magician states in a recent interview that his new spectacular production of magic has been the one great ambition of his life, and is the outcome of years of experiment and research. He is an ardent student of the natural sciences, and claims to have developed some startling and entirely novel illusions, which he will present this season. As a sleight-of-hand performer, Mr. Bancroft is said to be unsurpassed, and upon the spectacular background of his entertainment he is said to have expended a large amount of money, engaging in its construction only the most noted scenic artists and the most skilled labor to be had in this country and in Europe, and he claims that the result is one of the most elaborate stage settings ever seen in this country. Certain it is that two special cars will be required to transport it from place to place, and that he has engaged some of the best specialty artists to be had in this country, and has even drawn upon the European supply in order to secure artists whose acts are in keeping with his Oriental play and scenery. The entertainment takes the form of a visit to the palace of a magician, where, surrounded by the slaves of his household, he performs many of his marvellous tricks and illusions. Then in the palace of the Sultans of Oriental fable the magician works fresh marvels. MR. BANCROFT'S route will embrace most of the principal cities between St. Paul and Boston, and he has already arranged to appear here. The date of the engagement will be annouced later. Mr. Clarence Fleming, who directs the first American tour of Mr. John Hare, the celebrated English Actor, has this novel entertainment in charge. His connection with it is an ample guarantee of its worth.*

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PROGRAMME

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Management of RALPH HOWARD.



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It is with great pleasure that the management of the Grand Opera House announces Otis Skinner's engagement Monday evening, October 14. He will produce an entirely new play, which is entitled

"VILLON, THE VAGABOND."

As the name suggests, the play deals with the great French poetic genius of the fifteenth century, Francois Villion, and offers this favorite actor many opportunities to display his undoubted talent. Mr. Skinner is too well known to need a formal introduction, for the theatre-going public have unhesitatingly accepted him and he has the strongest endorsement of the press. Each year as it passes by has seen an improvement in the refinement of his art, until to-day he stands pre-eminent as the delineator of the great male characters of the greater drama. The new play, "Villion the Vagabond," will be as handsomely mounted as is possible, as his management has been lavish in the expenditure for both scenery and costumes. The supporting company is fully up to the standard, being one of the largest and strongest organizations now before the public. The engagement is limited to a single performance.

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CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Jack Luster, "My Wife's Friend".....WM. C. ANDREWS
Judge Shaw, Suspicious.....William Fairbanks
Ned Ramsey, Compliant.....Albert Livingston
Jacob Bartz, Related.....W. W. Plum
Albert Worth, Expectant.....Macey Harlam
Mr. Jackson Luster, Surprised.....H. Rees Davies
Dick Podds, Dangerous.....Earl White
Gustave, Ready.....Julius Griebel
Mrs. Arminda Bertram Ponsby, Affected.....Marion Giraux
Nettie Shaw, Sprightly.....Antoinnette Walker
Mrs. Judge Shaw, Decided.....Minnie Monk

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Satan—You have a bright future before you you, young man.

New Arrival—Have I, really?

Satan—Yes.

And then Satan opened tbe door of the fiery furnace and gently pushed him in.

The prince's tutor—"What can your highness tell me about gold?

The prince is silent.

Tutor—"Quite right, your highness. Silence is golden!"—Fliegende Blaetter.

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Synopsis.

ACT I.—Good Morning!—Grounds of Judge Shaw's House. (Two months pass.)

ACT II.—Good Morning!!—Jack Luster's drawing-room. (The next day.)

ACT III.—Good Morning!!!—Grounds of Jack Luster's House.

EXECUTIVE STAFF.

Business Manager.....Mark Davis

Stage Manager.....Albert Livingstone

Assistant Stage Manager.....Julius Griebel

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J. K. SPRY, MANAGER.

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During the evening, incidental to the stage performance, the ORCHESTRA of the Grand Opera House, under the direction of FRED. L. EVANS, will perform the following selections:

OVERTURE—Raymond ..... *Thomas*
RUSSIAN MAZURKA—La Czarine ..... *Ganne*
SELECTION—"Robin Hood" ..... *Wiegand*
WALTZ—Nisida ..... *Strauss*
OVERTURE—Ne Cheval de Bronze ..... *Auber*
MARCH—American Cadet ..... *Hall*

The above Programme subject to transposition.

☞ N. B.—The Orchestra at the Grand Opera House may be secured for engagements outside the theatre, by applying at or addressing the Box Office.

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Miss Coygirl—"Jack Softleigh told me last night that I ought to accept him, because he was willing to prove his love for me." Her Friend—"What did you say?" Miss Coygirl—"I said I couldn't see it in that light." Her Friend—"Then what did he say?" Miss Coygirl—"Nothing. He just turned the light out."

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PROGRAMME—Concluded.

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An engagement has been made for the band to appear here, and something sensational and in the nature of a revelation may be expected.

THE PROGRAMME

The primary idea of this Programme is, of course, to enlighten the audience as to the personnel of the artists taking part in the performances, incidentally to serve as a guide to the plot of the piece, and generally to give such information as will tend to the enjoyment of the auditor.

Reading matter of a miscellaneous nature, is, however, liberally supplied, that may be perused with interest and advantage. Quips and Quirks give zest to the solid matter, as sauces do to meats, but there is a fund of information in the advertisements that may be seriously considered with profit.

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"But," replied the commission merchant, "I can't agree to contract for your wheat at seventy cents."

"Why not? It's goin' up to a dollar an' you'll make thirty cents a bushel. Ain't that enough?"

"Oh, yes; but you see that seventy cents is only a speculative price. It ain't what they pay for real wheat."

"Don't pay that for real wheat? What in thunder do they pay for, then?"

"Why, for options."

"Well, what the blazes are options?"

"Why, they're promises to get wheat and sell it for such and such a price."

"Well, then, they got to get the wheat, ain't they?"

"No; they sell the promises again, according as the market rises or falls."

"An' don t they buy an' sell any real wheat at all?"

"Not much."

"Just buy an' sell wind at seventy cents a bushel?"

"That's about it."

"Thunder an' Mars, wish I'd knowed that last fall. I wouldn't a-sowed any wheat. I'd tied my grain bags to the back o' my fannin mill an' kept the boy turnin' it all winter, till I'd filled all the bags I could get hold of. But it ain't too late yet. By gosh, if it's wind they want 'stead of wheat, I can supply the market for the hull country right off my farm!"

First citizen (in the near future)—"Who is that they're goin' to string up?" Second citizen—"That s the man that stole Tornado Pete's bicycle."

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To do it in manner firm and steady;
He did not go on his knees to her—
For she was on his knees already."
—Life.

ACCOUNTED FOR.

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Hungry Hawkes—"Nope! But I slep' in an onion bed last night."

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ONE ON WOMAN.

Oh, woman, lovely woman, were it not for thee,
Man, indeed would have a fit and die from apathy.
Thou art fair as the lily, and beauteous as the rose,
For, coming down to beauty, you're in it, "I'll tell you those."

Oh, woman, lovely woman, thy charms are ever great,
Thou dost keep the men all guessing sometimes at a lively rate.
How often hast thou caught them with thy smile so fair to see,
Oh, woman, lovely woman, come, wilt "smile with me?"

Oh, woman, lovely woman, chief attraction—nay, save one,
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When you see the work we do you'll say "It don't cut ice."

Oh, woman, lovely woman, thy influence with man
Has always held full sway e'er since the world began.
Exert it in a profitable way o'er fathers, lovers and brothers,
And tell them when they printing want—forget that "there are others."

Then woman, lovely woman, thou hast not lived in vain,
Pleasant day to morrow, if indeed it does not rain
We'll sing your praises truly, your charms both rich and rare.
Some day you'll have a harp and wings, and go "up in the air."

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He—"I'd like a flower in my coat when I go." She—"I'll put it in now."

"Going to take your family abroad, Hicks?" "Yep." "Where do you expect to be in August?" "In bankruptcy."

Wife—"What do you think of Bridget's cooking?" Husband—"I think if she tried to boil water she'd burn it."

She (reproachfully)—"You said you would die for me." He (stiffly)—"I was referring to my whiskers, madam."

"Say, guide, what does that memorial stone commemorate?" "I put it there. It is upon that spot where a tourist once gave me five marks."

Painter (to his model)—"Now you can rest a bit while I paint in the background." Peasant woman (bashfully)—"Ach, then I suppose I shall have to turn 'round."

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